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Spy No. 1

Shortly after President Nixon named former CIA Director Richard Helms as Ambassador to Iran, his Soviet counterpart in Teheran, Vladimir Erofeyev, was at a formal dinner party with Iranian Prime Minister Amir Abbas Hoveida. "What do you think about the United States sending you a spy as ambassador?" Erofeyev asked Hoveida. "Well," replied the Prime Minister coolly, "they are at least sending us their No. 1 spy. You can't be more than spy No. 10."

Minutes later, the Russian ambassador discovered an excuse to leave the dinner party.

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